



Public Notice

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Reply To:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Attn: CEMVS-CO-F
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833

Public Notice No.
P-2409
Public Notice Date
March 10, 2004
Expiration Date
March 31, 2004

Postmaster Please Post Conspicuously Until:

File Number: 2003-08780

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States, as described below and shown on the attached maps.

COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Comments on the described work should reference the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers File Number shown above and must reach this office no later than the above expiration date of the Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Comments should be mailed to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Branch
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833
ATTN: Jaynie G. Doerr

APPLICANT: Missouri Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102, 573-751-4586

AGENT: Todd Miller, Missouri Dept. of Transportation, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102, 573-751-4586

LOCATION: The project begins in the Northwest ½ of Section 24, Township 35 North, Range 7 West, Dent County, Missouri, which is just south of Route FF. It continues 8.8 miles south, ending at the junction of Missouri Route 72 and 32.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant seeks authorization to realign and upgrade a portion of Route 72 from South of Route FF to the city of Salem. The purpose of this activity is to improve the safety and capacity of Route 72. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) determined in February 2004 that the site contains several jurisdictional ephemeral and intermittent tributaries of Spring Creek and Dry Fork Creek. Dry Fork Creek itself will also be impacted through the replacement of a bridge. Only one jurisdictional, emergent wetland was identified within the scope of the project. Less than 0.10 acres of the above mentioned wetland would be temporarily impacted. Total impacts to jurisdictional waters of the U.S., including the wetland, will be 0.87 acres.

The applicant proposes to use the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation's Stream Stewardship

Trust Fund in-lieu fee program for mitigation.

LOCATION MAPS AND DRAWINGS: See Sheets 1-3, attached.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information may be obtained by contacting Jaynie Doerr, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at (314) 331-8581. Your inquiries may also be sent by electronic facsimile to (314) 331-8741 or by e-mail to Jaynie.g.doerr@mvs02.usace.army.mil.

AUTHORITY: This permit will be processed under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: The project plans have been submitted to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Pollution Control Program for state certification of the proposed work in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. The certification is requested as of the date of this Public Notice, and if issued, will express the Agency's opinion that the proposed activities will not violate applicable water quality standards. Written comments concerning possible impacts to waters of Missouri should be addressed to: Water Pollution Control Program, Post Office Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0176, with a copy provided to the Corps of Engineers.

SECTION 404 (b)(1) EVALUATION: The impact of the activity on the public interest will be evaluated in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines pursuant to Section 404 (b)(1) of the Clean Water Act.

PUBLIC HEARING: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the applicant's proposal. Any request for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reason for the hearing, and must be based on issues that would warrant additional public review.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act, as amended, has been made that the work that is proposed would not affect species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. Therefore, no formal consultation request has been made to the United States Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service. In order to complete our evaluation, comments are solicited from the Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals through this Public Notice.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: The St. Louis District will evaluate information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer and the public in response to this public notice and we may require a reconnaissance survey of the project area.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the described activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit that may reasonably be expected to accrue from the described activity must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the activity described, will be considered including the cumulative effects. Among factors considered are: conservation; economics; aesthetics; general environmental concerns; wetlands; historic properties; fish and wildlife values; flood hazards; flood plain values; land use; navigation; shoreline erosion and accretion; recreation; water supply and conservation; water quality; energy needs; safety; food and fiber production; mineral needs; consideration of property ownership; and in general the needs and welfare of the people.

SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

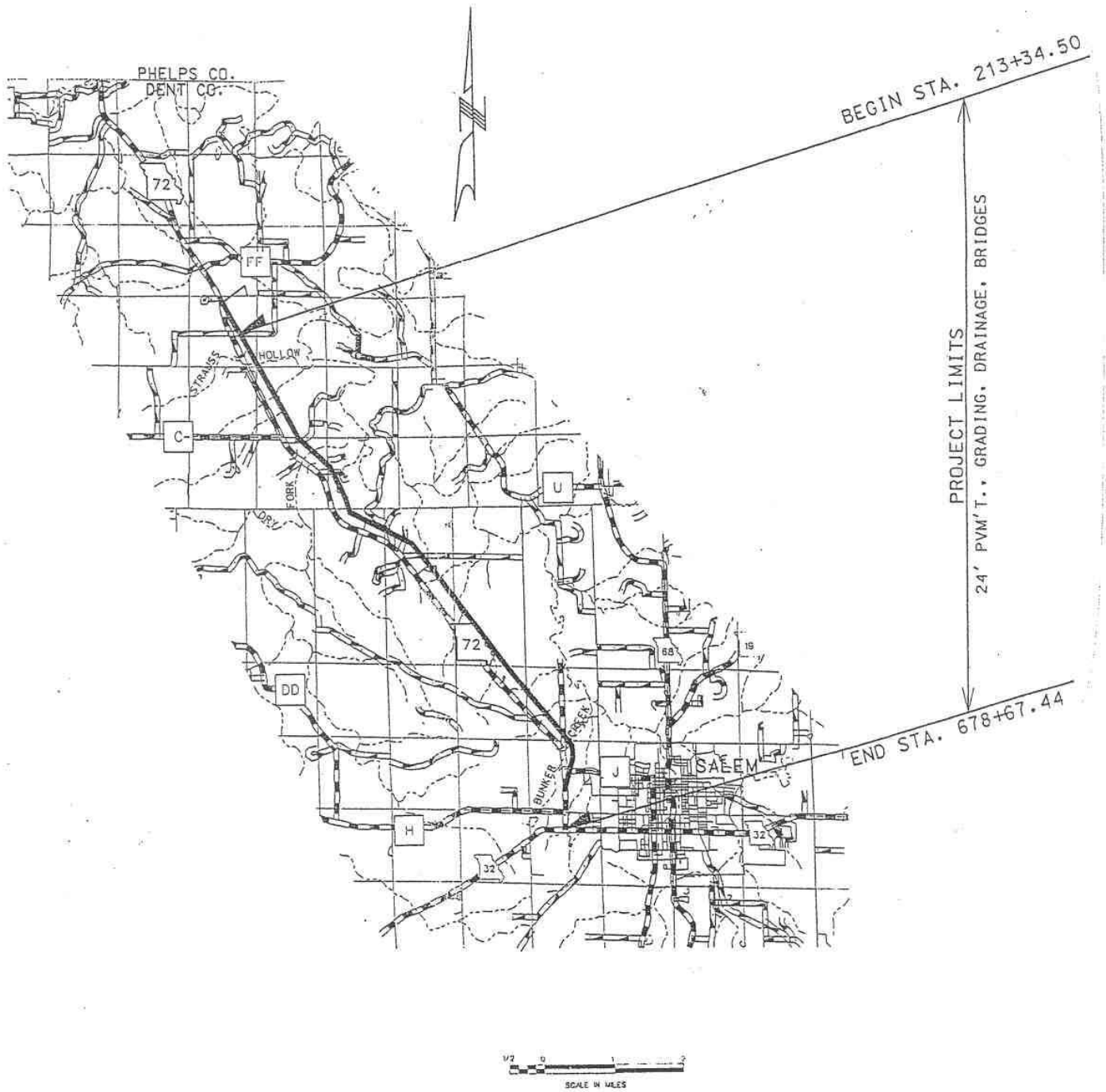
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Chief, Regulatory Branch

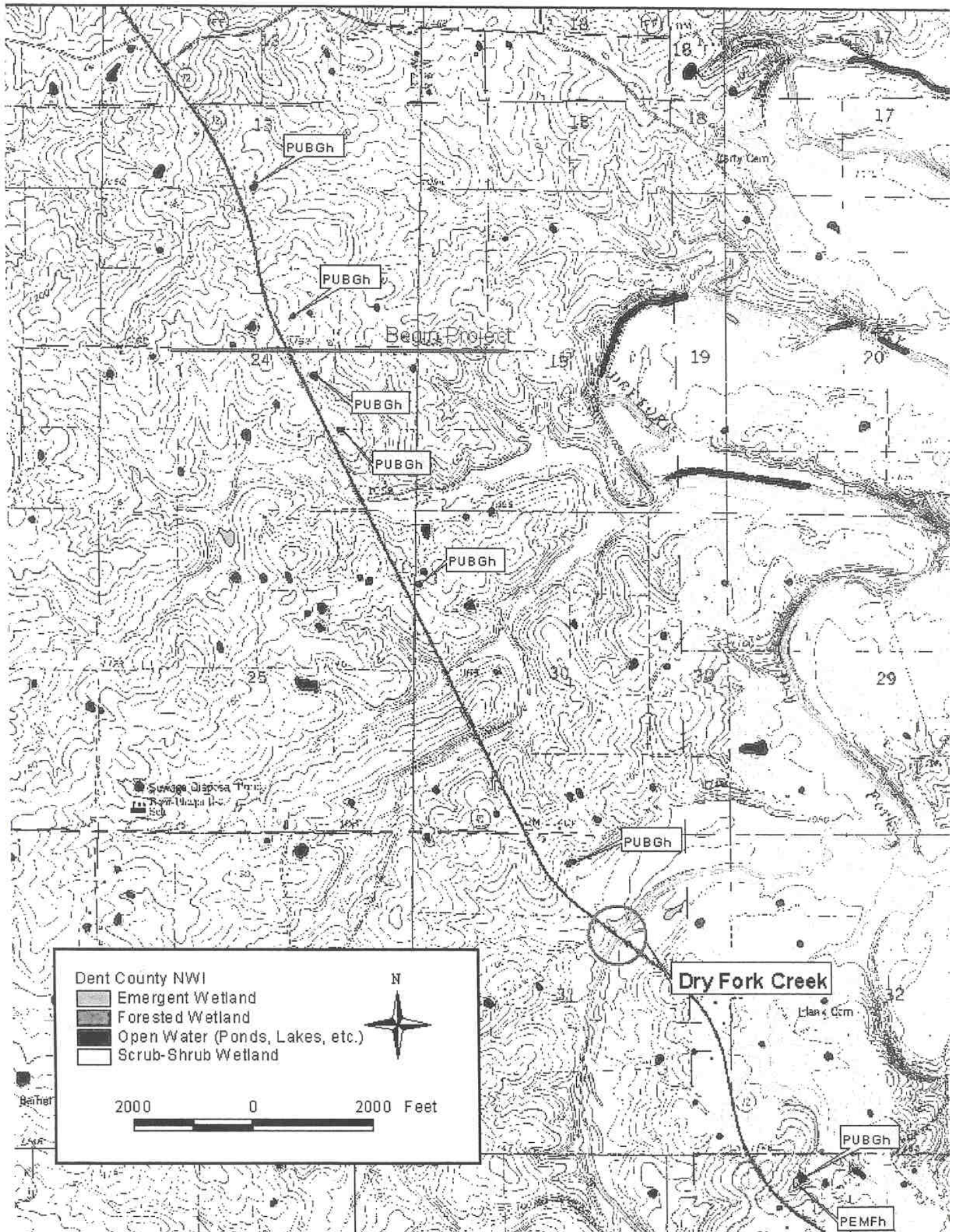
Attachments

NOTICE TO POSTMASTERS:

It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually placed for 21 days from the date of this issuance of this notice.

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

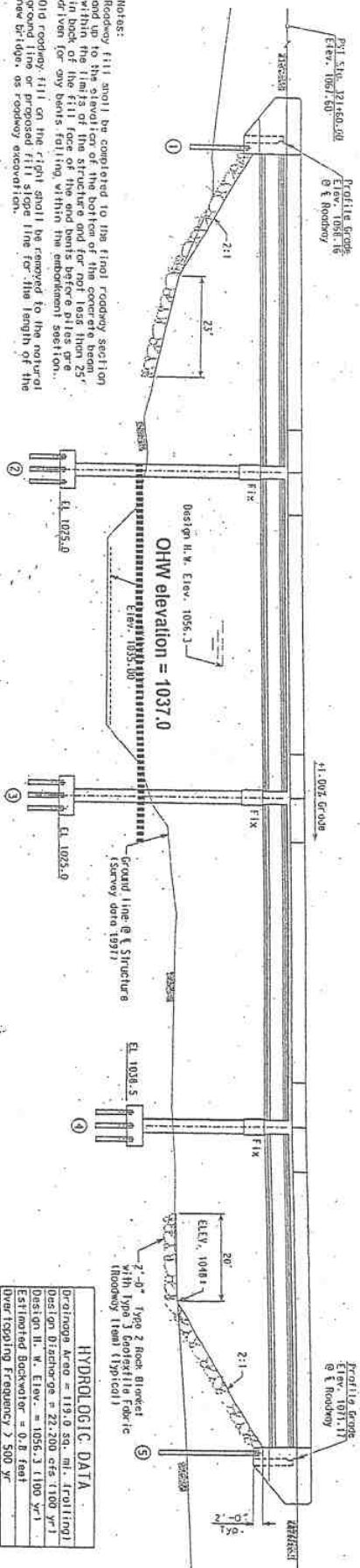




MISSOURI HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
(75' - 75' - 75' - 75') PRESTRESSED CONCRETE I-GIRDER SPANS

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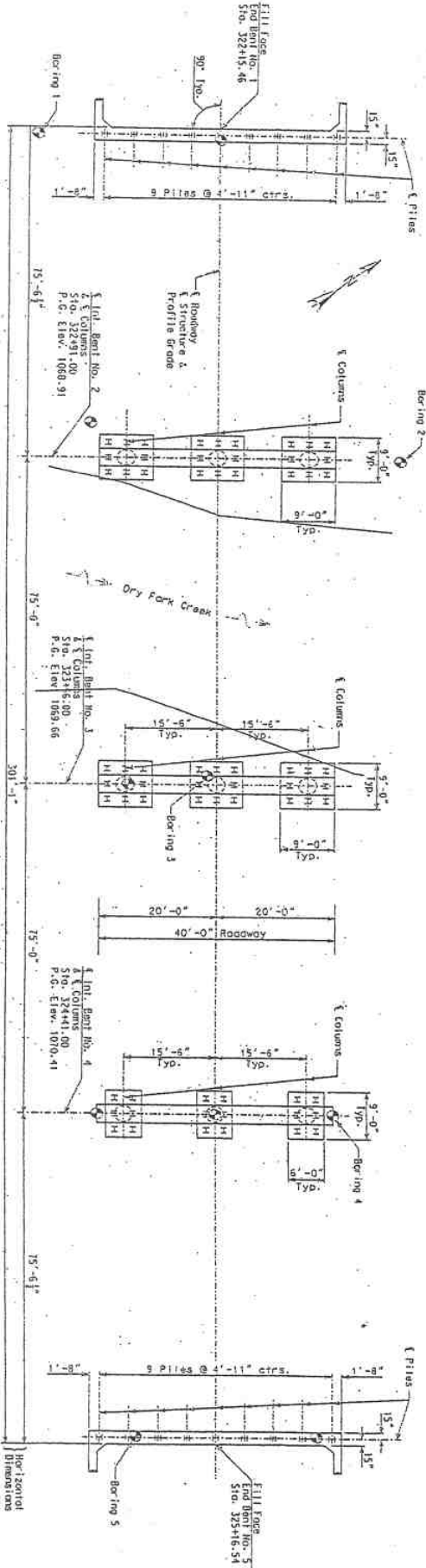


Roadways: Roadway fill shall be completed to the final roadway section and up to the elevation of the bottom of the concrete bench within the limits of the structure and for not less than 25' in back of the fill face of the end bents before fill is placed for any bents falling within the embankment section.

Old roadway fill on the right shall be removed to the natural ground line or proposed fill slope line for the length of the new bridge, as roadway excavation.

HYDROLOGIC DATA

Drainage Area = 119.0 sq. mi. (rolling)
 Design Discharge = 22,200 cfs (100 yr)
 Design H. W. Elev. = 1056.1 (100 yr)
 Estimated Backwater = 0.6 feet
 Overtopping Frequency > 500 yr



GENERAL PLAN

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STD. 609.00
STD. 706.35
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B.M. C.P. #13; POLE BARN SPIKE
STA. 326+73.22,
100.30' RT. OF E.RTE. 72. ELEV. 1058.10

BRIDGE OVER DRY FORK CREEK

STATE ROAD FROM RTE. FF TO RTE. 32

ABOVE B. / M. NORTH OF RILEY. 32
PROJECT NO. STA. 322+15.46

JOB NO. J9P0362 RTE. 72

DENT COUNTY
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Sheet 3

